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1. In Bonomi's opinion it is doubtful that Count Sforza gave Mario Brosio specific instruction to obtain for him (Sforza) an invitation to Moscow at the present time (as reported in [redacted]). In this connection Bonomi pointed out that the position of the Italian representation in Moscow is unsettled. The question of the return of the Embassy building itself is still outstanding and the Russians have shown signs of dissatisfaction with Brosio as a representative and have indicated that they would prefer a career diplomat or a man with more pronounced leftist sentiments.
 2. Bonomi is reported to have confirmed the report that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs was working on the composition of two missions, one political and one commercial, to go to Yugoslavia, the latter to reciprocate the recent establishment in Rome of a Yugoslav commercial office under Dr. Antunas, at 41 via Lima.
 3. Difficulties have apparently been encountered in making up the missions. In his first talk with Sforza Janhuba, the new Yugoslav political representative, is said to have indicated that Yugoslavia would accept only persons with leftist views and would prefer not to have career personnel. The chairmanship of the commercial mission was allegedly offered to Riccardo Lombardi (Action Party) who refused.
 4. Janhuba is said to have shown great cordiality during his talk with Sforza, and a predisposition to work out problems with the Italians. [According to Bonomi, however, Sforza was not impressed and retains his diffidence toward Yugoslavia which is the result of Yugoslav press attacks against him while he was touring South America a year ago.]

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